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**LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT**

Course: AFS 132 *Animal Agriculture, Food Policy, and Society*

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Dept. of Fisheries, Animal & Veterinary Science, CELS

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The Library Impact Statement for AFS 132 *Animal Agriculture, Food Policy, and Society* indicates that students in the course will be required to conduct research in the library, however no details as to the exact nature of the research are available at this time. Nonetheless, there should be no problem with the University Libraries' ability to support this 100-level Gen Ed course.

The syllabus provides an extensive list of required readings and films. I strongly encourage the instructors of the course to contact Reserves and the Media Resource Center now to make sure that any books and DVDs needed for the course are ordered and placed on reserve so that they are available to students in the fall. Funds are available to order any needed books or videos.

In addition to books and films, students will be required to read articles from popular periodicals and scientific journals. Of the journals listed on the syllabus as of July 15, 2009, the University Libraries provide online access to every title except for *Sociologia Ruralis*. Articles from this journal should also be placed on reserve, as well as any papers or reports that might not be readily available, i.e. *Aquaculture in Rhode Island: 2007 Yearly Status Report*. Materials may also be placed on electronic reserve, see <http://www.uri.edu/library/reserves/ereserves.html>.

Based on the information provided on the Library Impact Statement and in the course syllabus, I conclude that the University Libraries can meet the needs of AFS 132 *Animal Agriculture, Food Policy & Society* with no additional resources. In my role as Head of Acquisitions (and filling in for the Libraries' Collection Management Officer Professor Michael Vocino during the summer), I support the addition of this course without reservation.



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